

NEW PUBLICATIONS

● The ICRC Worldwide 1986

This summary of the ICRC's activities highlights the major operational activities that developed during 1986, in all the regions of the world. With 27 operational delegations capable of meeting the needs arising from emergencies, and 12 regional delegations engaged in longer-term tasks (co-operation with National Societies, dissemination of international law, for example), the ICRC has been active in some 45 countries in Africa, Latin America, Asia/Pacific, Middle East/North Africa and Europe/North America.

This summary does not replace the Annual Report for 1986, which will be published in the summer.

This brochure is available in *French, English, Spanish, German and Arabic*.

● Fritz Kalshoven, *Constraints on the Waging of War*

This handbook presents, in logical order and clear style, the different stages which led to the framing of international humanitarian law applicable in armed conflicts. The author reviews the development of the Laws of The Hague and of Geneva, and the progress of disarmament; in addition, he summarizes the work of the Diplomatic Conferences, the meetings of experts and the United Nations Conferences. Subsequently, he comments on the main provisions of the instruments forming the different sections of the law of armed conflicts, explaining their method of application and the arrangements for monitoring them. The Review will publish a report on this work in one of its forthcoming issues.

175 pages, format 15.5 × 23 cm, published by the ICRC in *English* only, S.fr. 12.—.

● CTA Guide for National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

The *German* and *Portuguese* versions of the CTA Guide have just been published. The *French*, *English*, *Spanish* and *Arabic* editions were published at the end of 1985.

In time of international armed conflict, the Central Tracing Agency works in close liaison with the National Information Bureaux (NIBs), the establishment of which by all parties to the conflict is prescribed in the Conventions. Where such NIBs do not exist, or acting as auxiliaries of the NIBs, the National Societies have an important role to play.

It should be recalled that the CTA, wishing to share the fruits of its unique experience gained in the service on numerous victims in many spheres of operations, offered at the Twenty-fourth International Conference of the Red Cross (Manila, 1981) to act as technical adviser and co-ordinator to National Societies and governments. The participants in the Technical Seminar organized by the CTA in Geneva in November 1982 had requested the publication of a Guide so that they could harmonize their activities and standardize their working methods.

● Catalogue of ICRC Publications

This catalogue contains a selection of about 120 titles of publications issued by the ICRC and by other organizations, and directly concerning the Movement. The entry for each title is accompanied by a summary of its content. The catalogue is available in *English* and *French*.

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● Review 86 of the Activities of the League of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Last year, National Societies, governments and other donors contributed 154 million Swiss francs to 33 international relief operations co-ordinated by the League. The League's 1986 Review, just published, points out that this made 1986 "an almost normal year".

The Review makes a distinction between the emergency aid and the long-term aid provided in Africa; it stresses the difficulties caused by "chronic emergencies", particularly in South America. It also gives an overview of development activities and health policy orientations for emergency cases. It ends by presenting data and figures on the League's finances, selected from a list of the principal donors and beneficiaries.

Copies of the Review, in *French, English, Spanish* and *Arabic* may be obtained from the League Secretariat.

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To be published

● **Bibliography of International Humanitarian Law Applicable in Armed Conflicts**

A revised and updated second edition of the bibliography first published in 1980. The work now has almost 7,000 titles and a detailed title index replaces the analytical index of the earlier edition.

Published by the ICRC and the Henry Dunant Institute, the bibliography, which will appear in June 1987, may be ordered from the ICRC, price S.fr. 30.

● **Commentary on the Additional Protocols of 8 June 1977 to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949**

English edition of the Commentary already published in French in 1986. This collective work, prepared under the auspices of the ICRC, continues the ICRC's programme of interpreting international humanitarian law, especially as a sequel to the Commentary on the four Geneva Conventions of 1949.

The ICRC very much hopes that, apart from its legal and academic significance, the Commentary will become a real working tool.

● Isaac Paenson, *English-French-Spanish-Russian Manual of the Terminology of the Law of Armed Conflicts and of International Humanitarian Organizations*

This Manual is the continuation of the Manual of the Terminology of Public International Law (Law of Peace) and International Organizations—English, French, Spanish, Russian—, published by Bruylant, Brussels, in 1983 (cf. report in the *Review*, No. 257, March-April 1987, p. 230). It is both a glossary presenting the equivalent in the three other languages of each French term used in the specialized domain of armed conflicts, and a manual, the text of which can be read for itself in each of the languages of the glossary.

The work will be published by Martinus Nijhoff, Dordrecht, and Bruylant, Brussels, for the ICRC, the Henry Dunant Institute and the International Centre for Social Science Terminology.
